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SUMMARY.

The death is announced of General Sir Redvers Buller, K.C.B., G.C.B.

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FARMER'S WOOL UNDERWEAR.

FOR THE CHILDREN.

BURIED IN SHEEP'S WOOL.

A HINT TO PROTECTIONISTS.

In 1866 a law was passed in England to encourage wool manufacturers, that "No person should be allowed in any shirt, shift, or sheet, other than those which are made of wool, to be sold or offered for sale to the public." The suggestion is made to Mr. William Lyons and the Protectionist Government. Meanwhile, we are to reflect that H.A.R.T.

PEOPLES ARE BURNED.

THEY WON'T WEAR WOOL.

As you know, sometimes that way lies pain.

Now the other day, we were presented with colds at all costs, and with the present inclement weather don't forget warm woolen stockings, and more economical than a doctor's bill.

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FOWLER TUNNELS at Cessnock, near Newcastle, to the
specification may be seen and Tenders delivered
at the office of the Board, 107 Pitt-street, Sydney, or
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SYDNEY, 10TH JUNE, 1908.

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LIMITED.

LIQUIDATION.

TENDERS are hereby invited, and will be received
at my office up to WEDNESDAY, 10th JUNE, 1908,
at 12 noon, for the Purchase of a Ten Years' Lease of
all or any part of the property.

The property is situated on the site of the best
part of the forecourt or the Harbour, and was
formerly the site of the Customs House, which
is now available in the Harbour. It is in perfect working
order, and no new cables have been laid.

The premises will be required to pay at the rate of 275 per year,
at the end of the lease, for the first three years,
and thereafter at the rate of 300 per year.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

A Deposit of 20 per cent. must accompany each
Tender.

Full particulars and all information may be obtained
at my office.

TERMS SAME.

WILLIAM HARRINGTON PALMER,
Official Liquidator,
47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until
3 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 18th June, for PRINTING
of the Town Clerk's Department, for the
specification and all particulars may be obtained
at the Town Clerk's Department, 45 Pitt-street.

For the two tenders will be required to pay at the
rate of 10/- per line, for each page.

The tenders are hereby invited for the Undersigned
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my office up to noon on WEDNESDAY, the 10th
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known trading town, the retail business being
of the whole, or for each, respectively, or
for the whole jointly.

The usual ten per cent. conditions.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Stock Sheets may be seen and all information obtained
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ALFRED BORCHARD, Public Accountant,
EQUITABLE BUILDING, George-street.

SYDNEY, 10TH JUNE, 1908.

IN THE MATTER OF FRANCIS MORTON,
LE MUSIGNON, DRAPER, 18 OXFORD-STREET,

TENDERS are hereby invited for the Undersigned
in the above Estate, and will be received at
my office until noon on WEDNESDAY, the 10th
JUNE, 1908.

STOCK-IN-TRADE AND PLANT.

Books—100 17 7
Groceries and
Crockery—147 2 11

Plant and Fittings—4000 5 4
Estimated cost—57 2
Estimated doubtful and bad—135 1 4
Total—100 2 4

The stock has been taken by my Agent in the
same manner, who reports same to be thoroughly
known.

The premises are situated as they are between the well-
known Establishments of Mark Fay and Bucknall's,
command a large trade, and render a thoroughly up to
date, leading themselves readily to an attractive display.

The residential portion of the premises includes large
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TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until
10 a.m. on TUESDAY, 10th June, for Manufacture
of a new Switch, and for fitting up the existing Station, of a
FLOAT and SWITCH operating gear.

Stocks and particulars may be obtained from Comp-
any of Inventors, 18 OXFORD-STREET, Sydney.

ALFRED BRYANT, Secretary,
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FARM AND STATION.

LAND TENURE AND DAIRY FARMING.

The question of leasehold for dairy farms has always been a vexatious one in all agricultural districts. The bill which has been introduced necessitates constant improvements on the part of the dairy farmer. When the farm is his own property this feature of the industry presents no difficulty, as the progressive man recognises that it is for his own benefit in every way that the best conditions should dominate. But with the leasehold man the position is very different, and where there is no allowance for improvements and a short lease it becomes one of actual hardship. To meet this difficulty, the Dairy Act, which is very satisfactory, is even more drastic; it means he has got to make improvements for which there is no compensation, the benefit ultimately going into the landlord's pocket. Manifestly this condition is not in the best interests of the dairy industry, especially where there is a strong desire to bring about a higher standard of milk production. The question has aroused attention recently in New Zealand, and the Minister for Agriculture has expressed his intention of meeting it. That there is a live interest in the Dominion is evident from the tone of the Farmers' Union. At a recent provincial conference where it was discussed it was suggested that when the occupant had a tenancy of less than five years to run the owner should be liable for improvements in connection with the dairy sheds and yards. It was also suggested that the landlord should be liable for all improvements, and that the bill should be altered to reflect the effect that the landlord should be liable for improvements demanded under the Dairy Act, provided that the tenant should pay interest on the outlay during his tenancy. When the long-delayed revision of our Dairy Act comes to pass, and New South Wales obtains a more modest measure, somewhere on a level with the other States, it will probably be the same. In view of the improved standard to be applied to the position of the leasehold dairy farmer. Otherwise he will probably be found a constant source of friction, as the Act will demand improvements which he will not be inclined to make on another person's property without compensation.

STOCK AND SUPERPHOSPHATES.

A notion has possessed a lot of stockowners in South Australia, and given birth to a movement which is absolutely responsible for the deaths of many horses and cattle. Just how this is supposed to come about is not made clear; but the idea was strong enough to cause one agricultural society to write to the veterinary surgeon asking if such could be the case. Needless to say the reply was promptly in the negative. The point is pointed out that the movement under the heading indicated was in no way detrimental to the stock consuming it. It is certainly strange that the slightest reflection would not satisfy any practical man on this point, as it is apparent that the properties or fertilisers are mingled and absorbed in the soil, and simply go to supply those natural qualities which are deficient. It would seem to be an idea that the inorganic salt may be the superphosphate acid retained its local nature after going into the soil, and passed on in that state into the plant, which is certainly a strange theory of soil culture and plant life. The same cause is blamed for securing in horses in this case the heavy crops containing a large amount of water are dried and it is probably that the horses have been compelled to drink the water to get rid of the salt. Heavy crops, however, are seldom an objection, and are a good advertisement for superphosphates. Another complaint is that feed is put in bags previously containing superphosphates. This is quite a different matter, and a course in which there is no way to avoid it. Instances are known where cows have been killed through chewing bags in which superphosphate manures have been packed. Between these direct causes and fodder grown with the aid of the manures there is a difference greater than the proverbial one between chalk and cheese.

WIND MOTORS.

Only a few days ago reference was made in this column to the feasibility of wind motors as a possible means of assistance to windmill owners. The writer of the article, the "International," showing the state to which this system had grown in Denmark, and we remarked upon the absence of any such experiments in this country to our knowledge. It is interesting, therefore, to note from a paragraph in a recent South Australian journal that a chafecutter with wind motor power has recently been installed on a farm at Bathurst. The motor is a small one, and the power is supplied by an ordinary windmill fan over the roof, and a rod communicating directly with the works. The cutter gives every satisfaction, and the great advantage so far is that on days when outside work is impracticable the hand can turn to and cut up two or three times the amount of material in the same time as it would take to do it by hand. If this is the case, there would certainly appear to be scope for wind motors in this country.

ITEMS.

A crop of pears in the Ballow district this year is reported to have yielded at the rate of \$220 per acre.

The Wagga P. P. Board has not forgotten the destruction caused by the great frost last year, and a recent meeting it was decided to write to the Government Entomologist for information as to dealing with the pest. In the "Agricultural Gazette" for May there is a very comprehensive article by the Assistant Entomologist on the subject.

Some time ago the Victorian Agricultural Department received from the United Can Co., of Philadelphia, a report on refrigeration as to the preservation of skimmed milk and similar articles. When it was returned to the Victorian authorities it was returned to the Government Entomologist for information as to dealing with the pest. In the "Agricultural Gazette" for May there is a very comprehensive article by the Assistant Entomologist on the subject.

With the advance of the winter the rabbit industry in the West is growing to large proportions. By one train recently 30,840 rabbits in three refrigerating cars were sent away from Bathurst, the weight of this consignment being about 50 tons. It is not unusual to find when a shipment of rabbits is sent away to Sydney a special train of 12 refrigerating cars to run from Blayney to Sydney loaded only with rabbits, and weighing about 160 tons.

An enterprising farmer in the north, who lays out a small acre or two in a enclosure, has a plot, tries his hand at the cultivation of sisal hemp, with very good results, being led to try it by the success achieved in Queensland, where the Government has interested itself in its cultivation, with the idea of showing its commercial possibilities. It is stated that to an acre some two tons of fibre have

been raised, worth about £17 a ton. According to his return there are few crops that are more profitable, even after deduction was made for labour in growing and harvesting.

The butter men and the timber merchants in Queensland are at variance regarding the supply of timber for butter boxes. The controversy arose over a statement made by Mr. Sinclair in the House of Representatives in connection with the timber duties that the millers in Queensland would not take orders for butter boxes. The Hon. Mr. G. G. Draper, representative of one of the butter companies, stated that his firm had been obliged to import \$60,000 boxes, because he could not get the orders taken up locally. The millers deny the allegations, and throw the blame on to the butter companies, alleging that they had not supplied butter boxes at a lower price than the companies can obtain elsewhere. Meanwhile the timber trade outside the State is getting a share of the business, notwithstanding the big supply of timber in Queensland.

COLLEGE FOR THE SOUTH COAST.

There is a strong movement on the South Coast for the establishment of a veterinary and agricultural college. The late David Berry left £10,000 for the building and maintaining of the college in the town of Berry. Permission was given to the Government to use the money of the will to the extent of £5,000 for the use of the college, and the remainder to be used for the building of a new college at North Sydney, the cost of which the intentions of the will has been undertaken by the Government; an Act passed in November, 1906, vesting this power in the Minister. The South Coast Agricultural Union is unanimous on the advisability of getting the college established, and considers that the building should be placed at Berry.

BLACK WOOL.

Black Merino, who has been breeding black sheep for over a year, writes with a statement that there is absolutely no guarantee that by coupling a black ram and ewe together, black lambs will be obtained, and it is not known whether a black ram and white ewe will put up a black lamb. The next interstate conference will be held at Brisbane. The inauguration that the interstate conference was for passing on the irrigation scheme will be best assured by the irrigation scheme in view of the fact that the pioners in irrigation being those who have had the most success in getting a living out of the Northern Mallee. The irrigation scheme will open a wide field for new population, and it is towards that part of the State the attention of the Government is directed. The first director for the placement of desirable European immigrants. The Australian settler has not yet been compelled to seriously undertake irrigation, and the irrigation scheme will be of great assistance. 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BASIS OF TAXATION.

PROTECTIONIST FINANCE.

THE EXAMPLE OF GERMANY.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, June 2.

A two days' debate on the motion for stopping the salary of Dinizulu, who is charged with sedition and high treason, without first obtaining the consent of the Imperial Government. The Earl of Crewe declared that the stoppage was a breach of the conditions on which Dinizulu was permitted to return to Zululand, and had inflicted hardship on the prisoner, and had involved him in much expense, owing to the prolongation of the trial, but as the legal points of the matter had been referred to the Supreme Court of Natal, no increase to the revenue by broadening of the basis of taxation.

Captain Morrison Bell (Conservative), in seconding the amendment, described the Earl as a mad gambler for votes.

Mr. Sydney Buxton, Postmaster-General, asked how the authors of the amendment proposed to broaden the basis of taxation.

Mr. Asquith Chamberlain asked how the Government intended to face £10,000,000 increased expenditure in 1909.

Mr. Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the course of his reply, said that the real issue was shirked, doubtless at the instance of Mr. A. J. Balfour, that only strategy, since it was so much better to leave the details of fiscal reform to the grubbers.

Mr. Lloyd George admitted that the question of local taxation for general purposes was serious. It must be dealt with at the earliest opportunity, and the first step was the proper valuation of land. He complained that the incidence of local rates was unjust.

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ANGLO-GERMAN AMITY.

THE CHURCH TO THE FORE.

LONDON, June 2.

A great meeting was held in the Albert Hall last night in support of the movement for promoting friendship between Great Britain and Germany. Some members of the German Pastors' Mission, the Bishop of London, Dr. Winnington-Ingram, Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Conservative), and many nonconformist clergymen spoke.

Mr. H. H. Asquith, Prime Minister, and the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Westminster (Dr. Bourne) wrote expressing warm sympathy with the object of the meeting.

SUSPECTED INDIAN BOYCOTT.

AGENTS IN NEW YORK.

LONDON, June 2.

British detectives are watching numerously Hindus in New York, who are suspected of being agents of an Indian revolutionary movement.

It is believed that the Clana-na-Gael is trying to induce the Hindus to engineer an Indian boycott of British manufactures.

ESTABLISHING EVICTED TENANTS.

BILL IN THE LORDS.

LONDON, June 2.

The Earl of Crewe, leader of the Government in the House of Lords, introduced into that House last night a short Bill for the purpose of making clear, that, with the consent of the occupying planter (successor to evicted tenant), the Estates Commissioners of Ireland may reinstate evicted tenants.

EGYPTIAN NATIONALISTS.

MENDACIOUS ARTICLES.

LONDON, June 2.

Egyptian Nationalist organs contain mendacious articles, affirming that the military, after putting 10,000 men concerned in the rising in the Blue Nile Province in 1882, massacred them.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, June 2.

Mr. J. Chamberlain yesterday left the Riviera, for Aix les Bains, Savoy. He was apparently in good health, but walked painfully.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL.

VALIDITY OF A PATENT.

LONDON, June 1.

In the matter of Peacock v. the International Harvester Company, an appeal from the decision of the High Court of Australia in favour of the plaintiff, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has reserved judgment.

The plaintiff in this action is Mr. Walter Charles Hosking, of the firm of Mr. D. Hosking & the Eskbank Company, who has left for Melbourne to lay before the members of the House of Representatives the necessity for an International Harvester Bill. Mr. Hosking points out that since the bill was introduced into the House of Commons, the price of pig-iron had dropped 30% a ton, and that the tendency was 20% per ton, and the tendency was still downwards.

Mr. Deakin said there had not been a general fall in the price of iron, but that the fall in the price of pig-iron was due to the fall in the price of iron.

Mr. Deakin in reply said he did not remember the exact words used by Mr. Wade, but in any case the Federal Parliament would be asked to what should be done.

MYSTERIOUS DISCOVERIES.

BLOODSTAINED AXE AND CLOTHING.

MELBOURNE, Tuesday.

A discovery presenting some mysterious features was made at Carlton this morning, when some bloodstained clothing, comprising a shirt, a pair of breeches, and a child's frock, were found in Grindal-street, a lane off Pelham-street. In an old yard separated from the lane by a high fence, an axe was found, which the police believed to be the instrument of the crime. The axe was broken, and the head was missing. The police believed that the axe had been used to cut through the clothing.

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Mr. Justice A. B. Bennett, before whom the action was brought, said that the plaintiff was invalid, and that he had given judgment for the defendant.

The plaintiff appealed to the Court of Appeal, which reversed the decision of the trial court.

It is the appeal of the defendants against this judgment that has been heard by the Privy Council.

Money advanced in all securities, Mr. W. Mont de Piste D. and I Corp. Ltd., 74 Castlereagh-street, Free Accident Insurance Policies to us, Bustage Bennett, G. Mgr.—Advt.

DINIZULU'S SALARY.

STOPPED BY NATAL.

IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT'S CENSURE

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BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANIES.

JOINT WORKING BILL.

PREVENTION OF COMPETITION.

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CASUALTIES.

FALL INTO THE HARBOUR.

Yesterday afternoon John Graham Nixon, aged 53, living at Neutral Bay, was seen struggling in the water off the Neutral Bay shore. Circumstances showed he had fallen ashore by a couple of the ferry employees. Mr. Wilson, of Neutral Bay, who happened to be on the shore, heard the cry and ordered his removal to the Sydney Hospital, where the Civil Ambulance carried him. He was admitted, suffering from the effects of his immersion.

AN INJURED BACK.

William Merritt Blunt, 46, a labourer, residing at 49 Glenmore-road, Paddington, was struck by a branch of a tree yesterday morning in front of the Royal Women's Hospital. Part of the branch struck him in the back. It appears that the branches of some trees, which were growing out over the footpath, were being cut down, when one, weighing 100 lbs., fell on Blunt, who was carrying Blunt across the back. He was first of all taken into the Royal Women's Hospital, but the Civil Ambulance arrived shortly afterwards, and removed him to the Sydney Hospital.

AN OPEN VERDICT.

Mr. W. Le Brown conducted an inquest yesterday morning concerning the death of Michael J. O'Farrell, a driver, residing in Franklin-street, Glebe, whose body was found floating near the Union Company's wharf, at the foot of Margaret-street, on Friday last. The evidence showed that deceased was last seen alive by a girl named Lyle Inkpen, a little before 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, when he was seen driving at a house in Glebe. It was the worse for liquor at the time, and boarded a tram in Glebe-road travelling towards the city. Nothing more was heard of him, and the inquiry of the Water Police, stated that all efforts to trace the further movements of deceased had been unsuccessful, and the Coroner recorded an open verdict.

REFUSED HER FOOD.

An inquest was held yesterday morning concerning the death of Elizabeth Burns, 22, a widow, recently residing in Belgrave-street, Coogee, who died on Friday last. The medical evidence showed that death was due to excessive drinking and starvation, and other evidence was given to show that deceased had been given a date prior to death, refused to eat her food. A verdict was returned in accordance with the medical evidence.

STRUCK BY A TELEGRAPH POST.

On Sunday Charles H. Cook, 28, a telegraph lineman, residing at 22 Albion-street, Surry Hills, met with an accident while working with a gang of men at Penrith-street, Willoughby. He had just finished his shift when a fellow worker, who had been working at the same post, when one of the heavy pieces of timber, which had been placed upright in a hole, slipped and fell striking Cook on the back. The telegraph post was pulled from the injured man to the Royal North Shore Hospital, where he was found to be suffering from very severe injuries to the spine.

THROWN FROM A SULKY.

UNANDERRA, Tuesday. At the Kombi Gap railway crossing on Sunday Mr. J. Murphy, of Mount Keira, and his wife were crossing the line driving a sulky. The horse had lost its balance and fell with such force as to hurl both occupants from the vehicle. The sulky was overturned and fell across the line. Mrs. Murphy was cut about the head and face, and for a time unconscious, while Mr. Murphy was cut about the mouth and severely bruised and shaken.

RUN OVER BY A TRAIN.

HOBART, Tuesday. Early this morning a man named Thomas Harrison, a farm labourer, aged 34, was found by the side of the road at Bremner-street, Hobart, 15 miles from Hobart, with his head smashed in. Death had evidently been instantaneous. Deceased left the township on Monday night, and had been working at a farm 12 miles away, where he worked, and was apparently knocked down by a train. The watchman of the engine of the night train was found to be spattered with blood.

AN ENGINEER DECAPITATED.

ST. MARY'S, Tuesday. George Logan, of Wellington, an engineer, was killed on Saturday morning, south of Cressy, last night. His head was found forty yards from the body. Deceased leaves a widow, but no family.

A WHEELER INJURED.

WOLLONGONG, Tuesday. H. Capon, a Wheeler employed at the Mount Keira colliery, was removing a sprig from the skin when the horse suddenly started, with such force as to hurl both occupants from the vehicle. The sulky was overturned and fell across the line. The two ladies were the only ones injured, and the horse was dislocated shoulder, while Miss Peden escaped injury. The sulky was considerably damaged.

SULKY OVERTURNED.

ROWRAL, Tuesday. Saturday morning, Mr. M. R. Roberts, at Rosedale Park, and Miss Peden, were driving to Berrys, when the horses shied at a wheelbarrow, and swerving round suddenly overturned the sulky. The two ladies were the only ones injured, and the horse was dislocated shoulder, while Miss Peden escaped injury. The sulky was considerably damaged.

FATALLY INJURED AT FOOTBALL.

TOOCUMWAL, Monday. Walter Barthelson Rocks, Toocumwal, was injured last night after an operation.

A CARRIER KILLED.

BRIESEN, Tuesday. Edward Duxford, a carrier, 41, while on his way to Mount Pioner, was struck between his wagon and a bank, being killed instantly. His left leg was smashed, and the wheel went over his body.

DEMAND FOR FIREWOOD.

CLEARING OFF TIMBER.

MARYLANDS, Monday. The winter is progressing so far with every token of its proving to be a mild season. The absence of frost, in conjunction with light showers, has generally, at night, accounted for the freshness of the grass and the rapid growth of the winter crops. The severe weather during winter must hasten the clearance of our native forest lands, of which very small areas are now left, having been cleared by the industry of all mankind. As much as 500 acres per head could be landed down for the trees grown in, left the purchaser a margin for considerable profit. The timber is to be sold in logs, and in lengths, in quantities convenient to the railways. Excepting a few native trees, preserved around home steads for the purpose of shelter, or ornament, the great majority of the timber forest will remain after this winter. Perhaps no district could be found containing a better sample of ironbark and box hardwood than that which grows in this district.

THE INNAMINCKA RATE.

DEFINATELY MEASURES.

The work of clearing the steamer Innamincka of rats is proceeding apace under the direction of the Board of Trade. The work will be carried out in health circles in Melbourne by the news telegraphed from Sydney after her departure for Port Phillip that a plague had had to be unshipped, but the health authorities have found that the work was by no means thoroughly done.

When the Innamincka returned to Sydney from Port Phillip on May 1, Mr. Arthur Thompson, President of the Board of Health, said yesterday, "before fumigation, and in course of preparing for fumigation, I found that the rats were alive, and I ordered the cargo which had been taken on board at Melbourne to be unshipped—about 900 tons. After that had been done, the rats were found to be alive. It then appeared that there were still live rats on board, and consequently the Board of Health had hoped might be avoided if possible. We found about 110 more rats, and when these were alive, it was perceived that there were still a good many rats on board. The emptying of the hold was brought on the authorized establishment.

Formation—Woolshed, Military Corps Appointments—Senior Cadet Cyril Gee. Optic to be lieutenant general.

WEST MELBOURNE, Saturday. The following changes were announced in today's "Gazette":

Appointments—2nd Light Horse Brigade, Captain P. C. Timothy, from unattached line to captain and orderly officer. Australian Light Horse Regiment, Charles James Hanlon to be 2nd Lieutenant provisionally.

Australian Field Artillery, 2nd Lieutenant J. W. S. Lucas and C. W. Thomas to be lieutenants.

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